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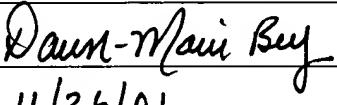
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The subject matter of the above-identified application DOES NOT have "significant utility in the conduct of aeronautical and space activities" as recited in 42 U.S.C. §2457 (National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)).

The subject matter of the application involves, generally, laser embodiments. There is no limitation within the application with regard to the applicable uses of the subject laser embodiments. While lasers, including the subject laser embodiments, may function in space, they do not constitute space vehicles and have not, as a class, been identified as having "significant utility in the conduct of aeronautical and space activities" pursuant to 42 U.S.C. §2457 or any other statute. Consequently, the subject matter of this application should not be identified as having "significant utility in the conduct of aeronautical and space activities."

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